Lisa M. Shaler-Clark
Army Senior Fellow
Deputy Under Secretary of the Army

Lisa M. Shaler-Clark was chosen to be an Army Senior Fellow, under the Deputy Under Secretary of the Army (DUSA) Business Transformation Office. Her experience, skills, and potential merited senior leadership education and strategic level experiences to enable her to compete for future Army Senior Executive Service (SES) positions.

Lisa Shaler-Clark served the Army for more than 2 decades, leading technology-based change to benefit Soldiers. As Technology Transfer Specialist for the Army's Institute for Soldier Nanotechnologies (ISN) at Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), she linked Soldier customers with the scientists and innovators improving their protection with nanotechnologies. Her efforts led to the rapid transition of two lightweight explosives detection systems to save the lives of joint Warfighters and civilians in Iraq, Afghanistan, and elsewhere. These systems, used by Army, Marine, Air Force, Special Operations, and civilians, were chosen for two "Soldiers' Choice" Army's Greatest Invention Awards. She also mentored more than a dozen entrepreneurial start-ups from the ISN's Soldier Design Competition, where student teams from MIT and the US Military Academy at West Point tackle Soldier challenges with working prototypes. One success is the Soldier Blast Sensor, being applied to Soldiers' helmets to track impacts which could lead to Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI). In previous roles, she led technology-based change as an entrepreneur, Army on-site contractor, and uniformed Army logistics officer. As the Bradley Fighting Vehicle Systems worldwide fielding officer, she upgraded the capabilities of armor, cavalry, infantry, air defense, field artillery, and engineer units with Bradley systems. She synchronized long-range technology insertion plans for the Bradley and Abrams Main Battle Tank fleets of systems, as the Army projected inserting Strykers and Future Combat Systems into Brigade Combat Teams through 2030. She led diagnostic systems development, so Soldiers could know if their digitized Bradleys and Abrams systems worked – mechanically and with Command and Control On The Move software systems. She leveraged her experience fielding first-generation logistics management information systems in the dawn of the Internet era to identify opportunities and organizational challenges brought by technology, to create strategies of implementation that ***worked*** for Soldiers and Army customer units.

Her education includes a Master of Science in the Management of Technology from MIT and Bachelor of Arts from Georgetown University. In addition to her other military education, she is certified in Defense Acquisition Program Management (Level III), Science & Technology Management (Level III), Information Technology (Level I), and Life Cycle Logistics (Level I). Her awards and commendations include the Order of St. Joan d'Arc for contributions to the capabilities and esprit of the Army's armored forces.